

**Section 2. Identification of Prior Application in Which Listed Information Was Already Cited
and for Which No Copies Are Submitted or Need Be Submitted**

This application relies, under 35 U.S.C. section 120, on the earlier filing date of prior U.S.
Application No.: 10/206,226, filed on July 29, 2002.

The following references were submitted to, and/or cited by, the Office in the prior application
and, therefore, are not required to be provided in this application:

US PATENTS

US 2,774,686 to Hodge, issued 12/1956; ~~OT~~
US 3,055,771 to Sprowl, issued 09/1962; ~~OT~~
US 4,655,852 to Rallis, issued 04/1987; and ~~OT~~
US 5,853,806 to Higuchi et al., issued 12/1998. ~~OT~~

Section 3. Identification of Persons Making This Information Disclosure Statement

The persons making this certification are:

the practitioner who signs below on the basis of the information in the
practitioner's file.

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